VICTORIA SAANICH CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY

Meeting of the Advisory & Oversight Group
Victoria-Saanich Citizens' Assembly
30 Sept 2024, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. PT

AGENDA

1. Welcome & Reflections on Session 1

2. Program Review:
   - Review/confirm the program for Session 2
     i. Saanich CAO Brent Reems
     ii. Victoria City Manager Joceyln Jenkyns
     iii. CRD CAO Ted Robbins
     iv. MNP team: Technical Study TOC
   - Preview the program for Sessions 3 and 4
     i. Suggestions and guidance

3. Next Steps
   - Attending upcoming sessions: October 19, November 2, November 30 (*Optional for AOG Members*)
   - Attending one of the Public Meetings: November 20 (online), November 21 (in-person) (*Strongly encouraged for AOG Members*)
   - Next AOG meeting: Monday, December 2, 2024, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. PT

ATTENDEES

Name	Affiliation	Present	Regrets
*ADVISORY & OVERSIGHT GROUP**			
Marjan Ehsassi	Executive Director, FIDE, and Democracy Fellow, Berggruen Institute		❌
Paul Hames	Vice Chair of Federated Coop Ltd, and former Chief Constable, Central Saanich	✅	
Evert Lindquist	Professor, University of Victoria School of Public Administration	✅	
Warren Magnusson	Professor Emeritus, University of Victoria Political Science	✅	
Ansley Tucker	Dean Emerita, Anglican Diocese of Islands & Islets	✅	

** One member of the Advisory Group has withdrawn, citing inability to make the time commitments for several meetings, and a replacement is being sought.*

VSCA PROJECT TEAM

Peter MacLeod	Assembly Chair	✅	
Chris Ellis	Project Director		❌
Richard Johnson	Lead Facilitator	✅	

ACTION ITEMS

1. The Assembly team will:
    a. look at filling in gaps in Session 1 historical presentations with a future speaker to talk about the legacy of colonial boundary-making in shaping present municipal boundaries;
    b. focus on Land Use Planning panel for Session 3 or Session 4 by inviting the chief planners of Victoria and Saanich to present;
    c. consider how to organize panel/speakers around the question of democratic representation in municipal government;
    d. consider how to describe and present to members, in an ongoing fashion, the "lenses" through which each speaker/panel presents, as a way to keep track of the balance of perspectives; and,
    e. consider how the future of the region, i.e. a scope that looks beyond 10 years into the future, including the Indigenous perspective of "7 Generations," is included in the learning process.

2. AOG will submit by email speaker ideas for panels on housing/homelessness, emergency and protective services, and agricultural land reserve / rural Saanich, for upcoming presentations in Session 3 and Session 4.

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